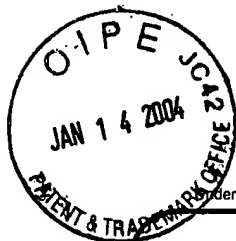


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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
 provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
 filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/276,868
Filing Date	March 26, 1999
First Named Inventor	Michael Simons
Group Art Unit	1653
Examiner Name	Chih-Min Kam
Attorney Docket Number	BIS-043/CE

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
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- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
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- b. ☒ Enclosed
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- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
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- b. ☐ Other _____

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Dear Sir:

Applicants, by and through their undersigned attorney, submit by Express Mail Post Office To Addressee service the following documents in reply to the (final) Official Action mailed July 21st, 2003 (as extended through January 21st, 2004) for the above-identified application:

1. A Request For Continued Examination with requisite fee payment;
and
2. A substantive Response including presently amended claims
submitted in reply to the (final) Official Action mailed July 21st,
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